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SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This revision updates the TRICARE Bonus Payment process to include physician scarcity areas (PSAs). The revision will have TRICARE Bonus Payments coincide with Medicare regarding PSAs.

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